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RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed January 17, 2008, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on September 22, 2003; October 16, 2003; March 11, 2004; July 21, 2005; January 6, 2006; February 24, 2006; June 19, 2006; and November 22, 2006.

For the record, regarding the IDS filed November 22, 2006 (received by OIPE November 27, 2006), it appears that the Examiner considered the IDS as evidenced by the electronically initialed and signed Form PTO-1449 attached to the *Notice of Allowance* mailed May 11, 2007. However, a blank copy of the Form PTO-1449 associated with the IDS was also attached to the most recent Official Action mailed January 17, 2008. Therefore, it appears that the Examiner has considered the